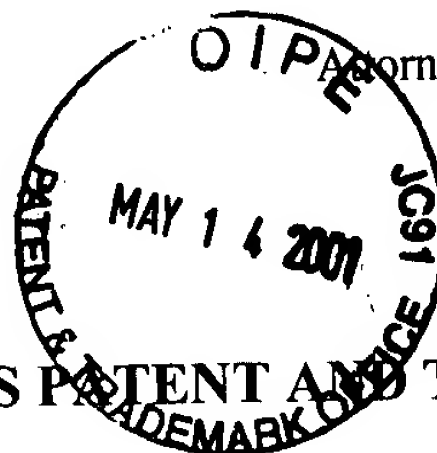


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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a) AND
RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL
APPLICATION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants respectfully petition the Assistant Commissioner for Patents for a one-month extension of time to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated March 5, 2001 in the above-identified patent application.

Submitted herewith is a check in the amount of \$1,992.00 (\$110.00 to cover the fee for the one-month Extension of Time, \$710.00 for the U.S. Basic National Fee, \$130.00 to cover the surcharge for late filing of the enclosed Declaration, \$130 to cover the processing for furnishing the English translation later than 20 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492 (f), \$40.00 for the Recordation of Assignment, and \$872.00 for the excess and multiple dependent claims fee). Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

Responsive to the attached Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on March 5, 2001, Applicants hereby submit an executed Joint Declaration, executed Joint Assignment, and English translation of the application, along with a check in the amount of \$1,992.00 (\$110.00 to cover the fee for the one-month Extension of Time, \$710.00 for the U.S. Basic National Fee, \$130.00 to cover the surcharge for late filing of the enclosed Declaration, \$130 to cover the processing for furnishing the English translation later than 20 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492 (f), \$40.00 for the Recordation of Assignment, and \$872.00 for the excess and multiple dependent claims fee). Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

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